Spread of Dengue, Japanese Encephalits, HIV/AIDS

†1872. SHRI KRIPAL PARMAR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that diseases like Dengue, Japanese Encephalitis, HIV/AIDS etc. are spreading everywhere in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps Government propose to take to prevent these diseases and number of people died in the country due to these diseases during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Incidence of Dengue/DHF has been reported from 12 States/U.Ts and those of J.E. from 13 States during the last three years while HIV/AIDS Cases have been reported from 32 States/U.Ts.

(c) Number of deaths due to Dengue and J.E. in the country during the last three years are as under:-

Disease	No. of deaths		
	1999	2000	2001
Dengue	17	7	53
J.E.	680	556	479

Information about number of death due to HIV/AIDS is not available.

Disparities in the pay-scales of Dressers

1873. SHRIMATI SAVITA SHARDA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the duties attached to the post of Dressers in the CGHS/ CHS/IIT/DESU and railways dispensaries and different;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of pay-scales granted by Government after 5th Central

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Pay Commission to Dressers in Railways and CGHS and the reasons for the disparities in the pay-scales attached to them for performing similar duties; and

(d) the details of steps taken or proposed to be taken to remove the disparities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The information is enclosed as Statement I and II (*See* below).

(c) The pay scale granted by the Government after implementation of the 5th Central Pay Commission's recommendations are as under:—

In the CGHS	
Designation	Pay-Scale
Dresser	Rs. 2650-65-3300-70-4000
In the Railways	
Designation	Pay-Sccale
Dresser-III	Rs. 3050-4590
Dresser-II	Rs. 4000-6000
Dresser-I	Rs. 4500-7000

The duties of Dressers in Railways include preparing the patients for operations and applying of splints and plasters. No such duties are required to be performed by the Dressers in CGHS who are mainly working in the dispensaries.

(d) In view of (c) above, the question does not arise.

Statement-I

Duties attached to the post of Dresser in CGHS.

(1) The dresser will be responsible for the overall management of the Dressing Room.

(2) The Dresser will be responsible for dressing of wounds.

(3) He will also render first aid in emergency cases and help the Medical Officer in handling the injured.

(4) He will prepare lotions and ointments under the guidance of the Pharmacist and table them properly and issue to the patients in accordance with the instructions of the Medical Officer.

(5) He will keep the Dressing Room clean and tidy. All containers of lotions, powders and ointments shall be kept properly labeled, stoppered and arranged.

(6) He will keep medicaments for Eye and Ear in a separate tray.

(7) The lotions, paints, etc. for dressing will be kept in a separate tray.

(8) He will prepare the drum of dressing material for sterilization and autoclave them as per prescribed procedure, to enable dressings to be performed under a septic condition.

(9) He will take proper care of the soiled dressings and put the same in a covered waste receiptable. These soiled dressings will be disposed off by buring.

(10) In the case of a female patient, he will not perform the dressing except in the presence of a relative of the patient or the female attendant of the dispensary.

(11) He will maintain proper accounts of the medicaments drawn from the stores and issued to the beneficiaries.

(12) He will keep bulk container, bottles/jars, etc. properly covered corked and stoppered.

(13) He will keep the weighing scales in a clean and working condition.

(14) He will maintain a register of dressing performed daily. The LDC will obtain the figures of old cases and add the same to his daily attendance in the OPD register for the purpose of statistic. The columns of register shall be:-

Date Sl. No. Token No. Name of the patient.

The dresser while on duty will "wear' a white apron.

(15) The dettol lotion should be changed daily.

(16) He will carry out any other duties as may be assigned to him by the Zonal Headquarter/Medical Officer Incharge.

Statement-II

Duties of Dressers in Railways and IIT

Railways	*IIT*
(a) duties of dressers railways are to :	(i) to assist the doctors in minor surgical procedure
(i) attend to the dressing of all types of wounds and injuries.	(ii) bandaging (iii) minor incision/sterilization (iv) any other duties assiged by the doctors.
(ii) sterilize all instruments.	
(iii) autocalve all dressing materials. (iv) prepare patients for operations. (v) Keep all equipment and instruments in proper order.	
(vi) prepare and apply splints, plasters & undertake cutting and rolling of bandages.	
(vii) carry out any other duties assigned by his/ her superiors.	

Disposal of waste by Government Hospitals

†1874. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item captioned, "12 bade aspataalon mein uchit tareeke se kachare kaa niptann nahin", which appeared in the Dainik Jagaran, dated the 9th September, 2002;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for not disposing the waste properly in these hospitals;

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